

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application:

Listing of Claims:

1-13. (cancelled)

14. (amended) An adjustable gate hinge and latch system for a fence gate of a fence, the system including:

a hinge to interconnect the gate to a first post of the fence, the hinge supporting the gate and permitting pivoting movement of the gate relative to the first fence post; and

a latch unit to secure the gate to a second post of the fence in a closed position of the gate, said first and second posts defining a generally vertical plane of said fence; wherein the latch unit has an arrangement to permit adjustment of the gate relative to the fence in a direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence when said gate is in the closed position and the arrangement includes a gate handle adapted to be fixedly attached to the gate, and a latch pin slidably movable along the gate handle in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence, the gate handle and the latch pin being secured to each other subsequent to the movement along the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence, [A system as set forth in claim 13, wherein] one of the gate handle and the latch pin [has] having an elongate slot and the other of the gate handle and the latch pin [has] having

an opening, a fastener [extends] extending through the slot and the opening, and the fastener [is] being loosened to permit the relative movement of the [components] gate handle and the latch pin and [is] being tightened to secure the [components] gate handle and latch pin to each other.

15. (amended) A system as set forth in claim 14, wherein the latch unit includes a portion attached to the second post, the latch pin has a latch bar portion, the latch bar portion cooperates with the attached portion of the latch unit to secure the gate in the closed position, and the latch bar portion is displaced in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence during the relative movement of the [components] gate handle and the latch pin.

16. (amended) A system as set forth in claim 14, wherein the gate handle has a portion that extends in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence, the latch pin has a portion that extends in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence, and during the relative movement of the [components] gate handle and the latch pin the portion of the latch pin is moved [alone] along the portion of the handle.

17. (previously presented) A system as set forth in claim 16, wherein the gate handle has an opening, the portion of the latch pin is moved through the opening of the latch handle.

18-22. (cancelled)

23. (new) An adjustable gate latch system for a fence gate of a fence, said fence having a first and a second post, the system including: a latch unit to secure the gate to the second

post of the fence in a closed position of the gate, said first and second posts defining a generally vertical plane of said fence; wherein the latch unit has an arrangement to permit adjustment of the gate relative to the fence in a direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence when said gate is in the closed position and the arrangement includes a gate handle adapted to be fixedly attached to the gate, and a latch pin slidably movable along the gate handle in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence, the gate handle and the latch pin being secured to each other subsequent to the movement along the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence, one of the gate handle and the latch pin having an elongate slot and the other of the gate handle and the latch pin having an opening, a fastener extending through the slot and the opening, and the fastener being loosened to permit the relative movement of the gate handle and the latch pin and being tightened to secure the gate handle and latch pin to each other.

24. (new) A system as set forth in claim 23, wherein the latch unit includes a portion attached to the second post, the latch pin has a latch bar portion, the latch bar portion cooperates with the attached portion of the latch unit to secure the gate in the closed position, and the latch bar portion is displaced in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence during the relative movement of the gate handle and the latch pin.

25. (new) A system as set forth in claim 23, wherein the gate handle has a portion that extends in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence, the latch pin has a portion that extends in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the fence, and during the relative movement of the gate handle

and the latch pin the portion of the latch pin is moved along the portion of the handle.

26. (new) A system as set forth in claim 25, wherein the gate handle has an opening, the portion of the latch pin is moved through the opening of the latch handle.